

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant:	:Knox et al.		
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Customer No.	:36335		

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 17, 2008, a response to which is due July 17, 2008 with a petition for a three-month extension of time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Applicants hereby Petitions for an Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response for three (3) months from April 17, 2008 through July 17, 2008. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1050.00 to Deposit Account No. 502-665.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.16(j) or 37 CFR 1.136(a) which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 502-665 in the name of GE Healthcare, Inc.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.